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RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a), AND REQUEST FOR 2-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

Sir:

The applicants petition from the Decision Refusing Status under 37 CFR 1.47(a) (Paper No. 10, mailed 09/12/2002), and request a 2-month extension of the time to respond. A fee as specified by 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) for response within the second month, and a surcharge for submission of a late filed Declaration as specified by 37 CFR 1.16(e) are included.

A copy of the declaration by the joint inventor Glen Edward Ivey is submitted herewith (the original was filed in the petition filed 07/22/2002 and is no longer available to the applicants).

Mr. Ivey's declaration complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.63(a) in that it identifies each of the joint inventors (at page 2) and gives the city and state of their last known address at which each receives mail. The application to which the joint inventors comprise the inventive entity is identified (at page 2) in clear, unambiguous language by serial number, filing date, title of invention, and attorney docket number. At page 3 of the declaration, Mr. Ivey is identified as an "additional joint inventor" on a "supplemental sheet" for "additional inventors", using form PTO/SB/02A (11-00). The patent application serial number is also typed at the bottom of page 3.

In the Decision Refusing Status (Paper No. 10), the Commissioner cites portions of the MPEP (at page 2). These portions are then interpreted as requiring the sheet of paper containing

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Mr. Ivey's signature to also contain the names of every other joint inventor. The applicants point out that if they had used all of form PTO/SB/01 (Declaration for Utility Patent Application), the names of the joint inventors would not have been on the same page since there is room for, at most, three inventors per page and there are four inventors in this application. Thus the name of at least one joint inventor would have been on a different page. It would appear that the typed page (page 2) inserted between pages 1 and 3 of the submitted Declaration gives adequate notice to Mr. Ivey of the status of all the joint inventors since it lists all four inventors on that single page. As stated in the declaration of Robert Buckley, the 3-page declaration submitted is exactly as that signed by Mr. Ivey.

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A declaration by the attorney of record, Robert Buckley (Reg. No. 33,657) is made a part of this petition and is incorporated herein by reference. The applicants have previously provided proof that the non-signing inventors John Bremsteller and William Knapp were given the opportunity to join this application and have not elected to do so. The applicants request that their earlier filings in this matter be used for that purpose and request that they be incorporated by reference herein.

Remarks

Mr. Ivey was a reluctant signer. As stated in the declaration of Robert Buckley, it was with considerable difficulty that Mr. Ivey's signature was obtained. The 3-page declaration executed by Mr. Ivey was complete, as it appears here and as stated by Robert Buckley. The undersigned believes that it would be unrealistic to attempt to get further cooperation from Mr. Ivey in this matter.

Conclusion

The applicants request that the Commissioner reconsider and grant their petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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